

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Stephen Johnston and Bao-Xi Qu

Serial No.: 10/781,055

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For: RATIONALLY DESIGNED AND
CHEMICALLY SYNTHESIZED
PROMOTER FOR GENETIC VACCINE
AND GENE THERAPY

Group Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: Whiteman, Brian A.

Atty. Dkt. No.: UTSD:788US

Confirmation No.: 9475

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

DATE OF SUBMISSION: February 26, 2007

I. AMENDMENT; AND II. RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
DATED OCTOBER 31, 2006

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 23313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2006, for which the date for response was January 31, 2007. A request for a one-month extension of time is included along with the required fee. The one-month extension brings the deadline for response to February 28, 2007, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct the fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/UTSD:788US.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.